Increasing the keel capacity in Boat Building Yards

*Q.—397. Sri S. S. KOLKEBAIL (Coondapur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they intend increasing the keel capacity in the Government Boat Building Yards at Mangalore and Karwar ;

(*b*) whether they propose to establish additional yards at Coondapur, Malpe, Honnavar or Bhatkal ;

(*c*) the encouragements they have given or propose to give to private Agencies for constructing these boats ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Forests and Fisheries).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Not immediately.

(*c*) There is provision to give loans to co-operatives for construction of boats.

Fishable area.

*Q.—398. Sri S. S. KOLKEBAIL (Coondapur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the fishable area available in the Mysore Sea Coast ;

(*b*) what is the target and the number of mechanised boats they propose to have ;

(*c*) what is the plan to achieve the same within the shortest period ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Forests and Fisheries).—

(*a*) About 10,000 Square Miles.

(*b*) 200 mechanised boats.

(*c*) the target of 150 boats has been achieved within the plan period. Additional 50 boats under crash programme are being constructed at the Government Boat Building Yard and through other private and Co-operative Boat Building Agencies.

Facilities for Repairs of Mechanised Boats.

*Q.—399. Sri S S. KOLKEBAIL (Coondapur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether there are any adequate facilities for repair of the mechanised fishing boats in the State ;

(*b*) If so, whether they exist and if not what steps they propose to take to provide the same ;

(*c*) whether any dry dock and technical know-how relating to construction and repairs would be made available to those engaged in the fishing industry and if so, what steps the Government proposed to take in this behalf ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Forests and Fisheries).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) A dry dock is available in the existing port at Mangalore, Technical know-how regarding construction and repairs is available at Mangalore and Karwar. While taking up construction of harbour facilities at these and other centres (Minor Ports) on the coast provision will be made for slipways for hauling up boats and for repairs facilities.

Rural Dairy Extension Scheme

*Q.—400. Sri S. S. KOLKE BAIL (Coondapoor).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) Whether Rural Dairy Extension Scheme has been taken up in Mangalore ;

(*b*) The stage at which Mangalore Milk Supply Scheme is at present and what steps they propose to take to expeditiously complete the same ?

A.—Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The construction works of the Dairy buildings are almost nearing completion. The Dairy equipments have been procured except a few additional equipments that are expected to arrive through the Danish Credit shortly. Necesary action has been taken to finalise all the requirements for this Dairy, so as to complete the installation of the Plant before the end of the current fianancial year.

Tenders for Bhadra Channel Works

*Q.—407. Sri S. GOPALA GOWDA (Thirthahally).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) Whether tenders in respect of Bhadra Channel works contract entrust to M. S. Karnataka Traders' Chitradurga, have been called for ;

(*b*) if not, the rates at which the contract entrusted to and the amount paid to the said contractor ?